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most of the U.S. air strength for attacks on Communist targets in Laos, Cambodia. *The Herald Tribune* 1/15-16/72

nam is based at four airfields in Thailand and on Navy carriers off the Indochina coast.

High-level Defense Department officials say there are no current plans to cut any of these forces, barring some major "break-through" in settling the war by negotiations.

The only U.S. air-strength reductions expected will probably involve one of three squadrons of F-4 Phantoms still in South Vietnam.

Indefinite Role?
While U.S. air power throughout Southeast Asia has been cut back substantially from its peak of 1,200 attack planes in 1968, it appears to be approaching a level which will be maintained indefinitely.

Although Saigon's air force has

8 Cities in U.S. Get \$160 Million In Anti-Crime Aid

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (WP).—Eight cities will be granted \$160 million over the next 24 months in a new program designed to drastically reduce street crimes and burglaries, Vice-President Spiro T. Agnew announced yesterday.

Called the High Impact Anti-Crime Program, the new federal-state-city plan is designed to reduce these highly visible crimes by 5 percent in two years and "as much as 20 percent in five years in each of the cities," Mr. Agnew said.

Newark, Baltimore, Atlanta, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, St. Louis and Portland, Ore., will receive an average of \$20 million each. The grants will include \$5 million each before the end of this fiscal year, \$10 million next year and \$5 million during fiscal 1974.

The program was seen by some Justice Department officials as a vehicle to offset criticism by the Urban League and other groups that the department has not been earmarking enough money to fight urban crime.

U.S. Farm Population Dropped Less in 1971

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (AP).—The U.S. farm population declined by 300,000 last year to an estimated 9.4 million persons, according to a preliminary estimate by the Agriculture Department. The drop was only about half the one reported the previous year.

and to keep the price of any possible massed attack in South Vietnam. States has about 150,000 troops of all services in South Vietnam. for Feb. 1 is 139,000.

Hughes Firm Sues to Block Publication of Irving's Book

By Douglas Robinson

NEW YORK, Jan. 14 (NYT).—A suit seeking to halt the publication of the purported autobiography of Howard R. Hughes was filed in State Supreme Court in Manhattan yesterday on behalf of the billionaire industrialist.

Justice Samuel H. Gold, after reading the complaint, ordered those named in the complaint to appear in court Wednesday to argue why they should not be enjoined from publishing the Hughes material.

Named in the order were McGraw-Hill, Inc., which plans to publish a book on the alleged autobiographical material; Time, Inc., which has scheduled excerpts for Life magazine; the Dell Publishing Co., which has paperback rights to the material; and Clifford Irving, the 41-year-old novelist who says he personally obtained the material from Mr. Hughes.

The suit, which asks for a permanent injunction, was signed by Chester Davis, general counsel of the Hughes Tool Co. For the purposes of the suit, Mr. Davis identified himself as general counsel of Rosemont Enterprises, Inc., in whose name the suit was brought.

Rosemont Enterprises, a Nevada corporation, was formed in 1965, presumably at Mr. Hughes's direction, to act as a repository for all the autobiographical material about the industrialist. The company says it owns worldwide rights to exploit commercially the name, life story, likeness or personality of Mr. Hughes.

Hashish Cache Seized in Oregon

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (UPI).—The Customs Commission today reported the seizure of 1,330 pounds of hashish at Portland, Ore., in a truck shipped from Karachi, Pakistan.

The hashish was valued at \$2 million if sold on the black market. Three California men were arrested—Thomas Blake Bidwell, 26, of Garden Grove; David Mark Reddy, 23, of Laguna Miquel, and Brian Kendall McAdams, 25, of Laguna Beach.

2 More Shot Dead In Dominican Clashes

SAN PEDRO DE MACORIS, Jan. 14

The filing set the stage for what may be a protracted legal battle over the authenticity of the autobiography and may conceivably result in the court appearance of Mr. Hughes. He has been a virtual recluse for more than a decade and now resides amid tight security in a hotel on Paradise Island in the Bahamas.

Mr. Hughes, in a long-distance telephone interview with seven newsmen last week, denied that the autobiographical material was authentic and said he had never met with or talked to Mr. Irving.

For its part, McGraw-Hill has shown newsmen a number of documents, allegedly signed by Mr. Hughes, including photostats of the backs of two checks bearing the endorsement of "H. R. Hughes." The checks were said to have been deposited in a Swiss bank as payment to the industrialist for the material.

In response to the suit, McGraw-Hill and Time, Inc. issued a joint statement saying that "we have not received any papers, but we have complete confidence that our legal position is unsailable."

Army Secretary Warns Saigon On U.S. Pullout

SAIGON, Jan. 14 (UPI).—The U.S. Secretary of the Army Robert Froehke, told South Vietnamese officials today that the United States "can carry on a war in a foreign land for just so long... and obviously [that time] is close to elapsing."

The secretary, completing a six-day tour of South Vietnam before going to Thailand, also said he thinks the enemy "is about to launch some military moves short."

He declined comment on Nixon's new withdrawal announcements, saying "we have not been advised exactly what figures would be before the end of the year." Washington a week ago.

At a news conference, Mr. Froehke said he "thinks the Vietnamization is working, the Vietnamese like it, and the Americans—especially those who spend a significant amount of time working with Vietnamese forces—like the Vietnamese military."

destroyed by American air Wednesday, another missile fired at a U.S. Army observation plane the same day. The plane was damaged.

Disclosure of the missile near the DMZ—from which can strike 30 miles or more into South Vietnam—came in a visit to a U.S. F-105 jet site just above the DMZ farthest south the Communists have moved an anti-aircraft site since 1968.

Increase in Attacks

The stepped-up attack against American air coincided with a general increase in Communist attacks in Indochina, leading up to Army Secretary Robert Froehke's visit, predicted, to be a "spectacular" move. He did not elaborate. Other military officials predicted a major offensive coinciding with President Nixon's visit to Peking late next year.

The Communists, who overrun much of Laos, have been driven away today at the defenses of the former CIA base Long Cheng in Laos, with artillery and, in South Vietnam, carried out a series of attacks along the central Central Highlands and Mekong Delta. Only in Cambodia was there complete quiet.

In Washington, a State Department spokesman told newsmen "Long Ching has been under intense intermittent fire but the base is operational and is holding back."

He said the base was "obviously an important stronghold in north central Laos, but even for psychological impact, its would not have a major mental effect on the government in Laos."

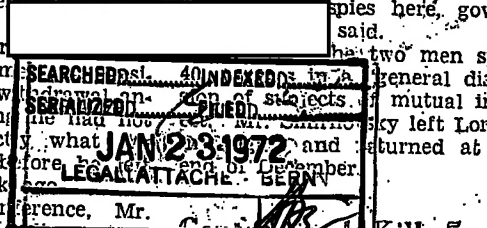
Russian Sees Sir After Long Aloofness

LONDON, Jan. 14 (UPI).—Soviet Ambassador Mikhail S. Novikov conferred today with Foreign Secretary, Sir Alec Douglas-Home, for the first time since the envoy began an extended stay in Moscow before Britain's October expulsion of Soviet spies here, government officials said.

Two men said the two men signed a general declaration of mutual interest. Mr. Novikov left London after a brief stay and returned at the end of the month.

Kills 5

BRESCIA, Italy, Jan. 14 (AP).—An Italian military helicopter crashed in flames here yesterday, killing all aboard—a pilot and four passengers.



MAX LERNER

Four Hughes Theories

I WRITE this from — where else? — Las Vegas, having stopped here to watch some friends in a tournament, but also to get the proper setting (flamboyant, arid, improbable) for a piece on the Howard Hughes case.

I shall be eager to read those deathless autobiographical outpourings of his when the Clifford Irving book appears — and doubtless it will appear, despite all the bother about the Hughes interview. On whether the book is authentic my vote is yes or at least I hope so. I have a tilt toward believing Irving, whose only quirk seems to be four marriages, but who has never on the record deliberately crossed up, backtracked, mystified and obfuscated his doings and identity, while Hughes has.

We will all pounce on the book for some light on the puzzle of the Hughes personality — although God knows why, since all he has done has been to make a pile of money, act as a spoiled delinquent and hole up wretchedly in a series of hideouts surrounded by enough security guards to protect Golda Meir in Cairo.

Most interesting men invent themselves. Hughes did it not by the quality of mind or taste, but by cultivating distance and mystery on the sound principles that those qualities fascinate us.

Who is Howard Hughes? He has so completely mystified everyone that this isn't an absurd question. I have heard one theory that Hughes is dead, and that the man Irving has seen, or the man with the disembodied voice, is a puppet or impostor. Aside from that I see three possibilities. One is that there are two men, the first the real Hughes, the second a dead-ringer for the first, like the fellow who is a look-alike for Richard Nixon. The second is that there is one Hughes, with a split personality (as in the classic case histories) and that he commutes between his two halves, now playing one role, now the other. The third is that there is indeed only one Hughes, who talked unwarily to Irving, revealed too much, and now wants to ex-

tricate himself by denying everything.

I incline toward the last, which has the advantage of economy and fits what we know of Hughes in the past. But the real question is less about Hughes than about us. Why do we make quite so much fuss over him?

He is an original, an eccentric. The British have produced more eccentrics than we have, possibly because the British aristocracy felt secure enough to nourish them. In the United States it is mostly the very rich who have that feeling of security, because their wealth gives them the right to be a bit kooky as well as very arbitrary and very rude.

I enjoy originals and eccentrics, but I prefer them when (like Nubar Gulbenkian, the Armenian oil millionaire who just died) they have a good time in life, rather than a bleak time, like Hughes. Some of my sentimental friends make a virtue of his silences. But if silence alone is valued to a man the future would belong to the catatonics. No, the stuff of the Hughes legend is that he made all those billions,

and yet lived the emptiest and most barren kind of life, immured in a hotel suite, touched with the world only through a palace guard of male secretaries.

What a contrast to someone like Gulbenkian, who also invented a personality but who enjoyed every pound and penny of his fortune, and embraced life in a full-bodied way. I like every individual orchestration of life that makes something unique out of the raw material given to us all. In that sense I value the bizarre imprint that Hughes has given to his life.

But it isn't enough to have shown the knack for making money, or to be obsessed with secretiveness and withdrawal. Someone like Ezra Pound has also withdrawn from life, almost totally. Yet in Pound's earlier life, there was the gift of creativeness, with poems to leave behind, which show that someone caught glimpses of beauty and complexity that can be handed on. What has Hughes created, other than a plane that was a flop and some movies that stank?

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DAVID LAWRENCE

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A Most Significant

THE RULING by U.S. District Judge Robert R. Merhige Jr. that the schools of Richmond, Va., which are 70 per cent black, must be merged with those of two adjacent counties, which are 91 per cent white, and the whole must be regarded as a unit for purposes of integration means throughout the United States the federal government brush aside what has been known as "de facto" segregation and impose a substitute.

The theory behind the decision, just rendered — which, of course, has yet to be sustained by the Supreme Court of the United States — is that the states have approved a kind of discrimination when they allowed districts with predominantly white schools to

grow up alongside of districts where school enrollment is almost entirely black.

If this were a natural development, as it is claimed to be in many northern states, then "de facto" segregation still can be justified. If the states

with the districts in which the federal government has intervened have attracted predominantly black and segregated districts where the population is mostly black, the "de facto" segregation is not a result of state action and is therefore a violation of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

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Jack R. Lousma, a pilot-astronaut.
The third mission will be com-
manded by Gerald P. Carr. His

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spacecraft.
The second crew will be launch-
ed July 30 for a 56-day visit. The
final mission will begin Oct. 23.
(From yesterday's late editions.)

House Passes Bill to Limit Political Campaign Spending

By Richard L. Lyons

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Limits on Spending

The amounts that could be
spent by candidates for President
and Congress on broadcasting,
newspapers, magazines, billboards
and mass telephone appeals
would be limited to 10 cents per
voting-age person. No more than
60 percent of this could be spent
on broadcasting.

The effect would be to limit
presidential candidates this year
to spending \$8.4 million on tele-
vision. In 1968, \$12.6 million was
spent on television in support of
Mr. Nixon's candidacy. Democ-
rats spent half that amount.

The bill takes effect 60 days
after it is signed into law. This
means that money spent on the
March primaries in New Hamp-
shire and Florida would be
exempt, as would fund-raising
events held during that time.

In another congressional
development, Rep. Roman C.
Pucinski, D., Ill., proposed that
taxpayers be allowed to subtract
from their federal taxes half the
cost of tuition for children at-
tending private grade and high
schools.

Rep. Pucinski said his bill,
which he introduced today, would
help pave the way for passage
of a general aid program for
public schools, which he proposed
in a bill last year.

N.Y. Court Bars Sale of a Hughes Book This Week

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (NYT).—
A book publisher was temporarily
enjoined yesterday in the State
Supreme Court from distributing
a purported autobiography of
Howard R. Hughes pending a
hearing Friday.

The order directed Hippocrene
Books, Inc., to show cause on
Friday as to why it should not
be permanently enjoined from
selling the book, entitled "My Life
and Opinions," by Mr. Hughes,
and edited by Robert P. Eaton.

The complaint was brought by
Rosemont Enterprises, Inc., a
Nevada corporation set up by Mr.
Hughes to act as a repository
for all his autobiographical
material. Attorneys for Rosemont
have charged that the Eaton
material is "fraudulent."

George Blagowidow, president
of Best Books Press, a division
of Hippocrene, said that the dis-
puted book was already "in cir-
culation." Earlier in the day, a
spokesman for the book company
said the book would be out to-
morrow and in "selected book
stores" by Friday.

arise only in time to show up
for their first class or work detail.

Weekend Passes

Furthermore, recruits will con-
tinue to receive weekend passes
during the final month of their
training. Drill sergeants, how-
ever, may withhold the passes of
men who do not train properly
during the week.

The tightening up of the basic
training program is scheduled to
go into full effect on Feb. 14. At
that time, the Army also intends
to lengthen the training program
by three days, in addition to
adding courses in weaponry, com-
munications, escape and evasion
and character guidance. The
amount of classroom lecturing
will be reduced in favor of more
"hands-on," performance-oriented
training.

Chicago Indicts AWOL Soldier In Bomb Planting

CHICAGO, Jan. 19 (AP).—
Ronald Kaufman, an AWOL sol-
dier with a doctorate in psychol-
ogy, was indicted here yesterday
by a grand jury in attempts to
bomb three Chicago banks.

Three of the 16 counts in the
indictment concerned the plant-
ing of time bombs in safety
deposit boxes in the Chicago
banks. Similar bombs were found
in banks in New York and San
Francisco.

U.S. Attorney James R. Thomp-
son said the other counts charg-
ed Mr. Kaufman with possession
of unregistered firearms—the ex-
plosive devices placed in the
three banks—with the construction
of illegal explosive devices and
with the sending of threats to
damage and destroy property.

The FBI said that fingerprints
taken from the bombs identified
Mr. Kaufman as the man who
placed them in safe deposit boxes
in a plot to free what were
described as political prisoners.

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Board, which runs the nation-
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separately tomorrow.

Mr. Carr would only say that
his object was to find out per-
sonally the position of the two
sides, still wide apart on the
miners' demand for wage in-
creases of up to 47 percent and
the board's offer 7.9 percent. But
it is believed Mr. Carr hopes to
find ground on which to bring
the two sides together.

Truck Attacked

At Ipswich, northeast of Lon-
don, two miners and a student
from Essex University were ar-
rested during violent clashes be-
tween police, miners and students
today as the pickets tried to stop
a truck carrying imported coal
from the local docks. The truck's
windshield was smashed and its
coal dumped on the road.

The 200 miners involved in the
picketing of Ipswich and Col-
chester docks have traveled
several hundred miles from their
homes in Yorkshire and are stay-
ing on the campus of the uni-
versity at the invitation of the
students. A miners' representative
said another 1,000 miners were
being sent to join the pickets.

Students at Kent University
also are cooperating with the
miners and taking part in picket-
ing at docks in Dover.

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Life, McGraw-Hill Decide to Delay On Hughes Book

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (Reuters).
—McGraw-Hill Book Co. and Life
magazine said they are holding
up publication of the Howard
Hughes "autobiography" pending
completion of a thorough investi-
gation.

In a joint statement they said
that this investigation has devel-
oped questions concerning the
identity of the holder of the bank
account at the Swiss Credit Bank
in Zurich in which checks made
out to "H. R. Hughes" were en-
dorsed and deposited.

They also said they had filed
an action with the appropriate
Swiss authorities in an effort to
obtain full details.

The companies said they be-
lieved that the material in their
possession contains the "authen-
tic language and words" of
Howard Hughes. But, they added,
the questions concerning the bank
account must be fully resolved
before publication.

Life and McGraw-Hill said their
attorneys have informed Judge
Gerald P. Culin of the New
York State Supreme Court of the
questions that have arisen and
of the steps they have taken in
Zurich.

—while millions of workers must
give the treasury about one month
of their wages, or salaries and
while the number of households
subjected to the income tax has
doubled in 12 years."

Greek Defendant Alleges Torture As Trial Opens

ATHENS, Jan. 20 (Reuters).—
Ioannis Kyriazis, 29, a house-
painter standing trial before a
military tribunal, has alleged he
was tortured during interroga-
tion.

Mr. Kyriazis and seven other
young defendants are accused of
making time bombs and plant-
ing them in central Athens. The
trial opened today.

They are alleged to belong to
the Pan-Hellenic Liberation
Movement (PAK), founded in
exile by Andreas Papandreou.
The indictment says that two of
the group established a bomb-
making workshop in Stockholm
and smuggled the bombs into
Greece by car.

Mr. Kyriazis's allegation was
submitted to the court in a
written statement. It was not
read out in court, but defense
lawyers said Mr. Kyriazis claimed
security officers tortured him
during interrogation.

All the defendants denied they
had any connection with the out-
lawed Greek Communist party.

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Candidates for federal office would also be limited in the amount of their own money they could spend on their campaigns. Every contribution of more than \$100 would have to be reported.

Limits on Spending

The amounts that could be spent by candidates for President and Congress on broadcasting, newspapers, magazines, billboards and mass telephone appeals would be limited to 10 cents per voting-age person. No more than 60 percent of this could be spent on broadcasting.

The effect would be to limit presidential candidates this year to spending \$8.4 million on television. In 1968, \$12.6 million was spent on television in support of Mr. Nixon's candidacy. Democrats spent half that amount.

The bill takes effect 60 days after it is signed into law. This means that money spent on the March primaries in New Hampshire and Florida would be exempt, as would fund-raising events held during that time.

spacecraft. The second crew will be launched July 30 for a 56-day visit. The final mission will begin Oct. 28. (From yesterday's late editions.)

In another congressional development, Rep. Roman O. Pucinski, D., Ill., proposed that taxpayers be allowed to subtract from their federal taxes half the cost of tuition for children attending private grade and high schools.

Rep. Pucinski said his bill, which he introduced today, would help pave the way for passage of a general aid program for public schools, which he proposed in a bill last year.

N.Y. Court Bars Sale of a Hughes Book This Week

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (NYT).—A book publisher was temporarily enjoined yesterday in the State Supreme Court from distributing a purported autobiography of Howard R. Hughes pending a hearing Friday.

The order directed Hippocrene Books, Inc., to show cause on Friday as to why it should not be permanently enjoined from selling the book, entitled "My Life and Opinions," by Mr. Hughes, and edited by Robert P. Eaton.

The complaint was brought by Rosemont Enterprises, Inc., a Nevada corporation set up by Mr. Hughes to act as a repository for all his autobiographical material. Attorneys for Rosemont have charged that the Eaton material is "fraudulent."

George Blagowidow, president of Best Books Press, a division of Hippocrene, said that the disputed book was already "in circulation." Earlier in the day, a spokesman for the book company said the book would be out tomorrow and in "selected book stores" by Friday.

arise only in time to show up for their first class or work detail.

Weekend Passes

Furthermore, recruits will continue to receive weekend passes during the final month of their training. Drill sergeants, however, may withhold the passes of men who do not train properly during the week.

The tightening up of the basic training program is scheduled to go into full effect on Feb. 14. At that time, the Army also intends to lengthen the training program by three days, in addition to adding courses in weaponry, communications, escape and evasion and character guidance. The amount of classroom lecturing will be reduced in favor of more "hands-on," performance-oriented training.

Chicago Indicts AWOL Soldier In Bomb Planting

CHICAGO, Jan. 19 (AP).—Ronald Kaufman, an AWOL soldier with a doctorate in psychology, was indicted here yesterday by a grand jury in attempts to bomb three Chicago banks.

Three of the 16 counts in the indictment concerned the planting of time bombs in safety deposit boxes in the Chicago banks. Similar bombs were found in banks in New York and San Francisco.

U.S. Attorney James R. Thompson said the other counts charged Mr. Kaufman with possession of unregistered firearms—the explosive devices placed in the three banks—with the construction of illegal explosive devices and with the sending of threats to damage and destroy property.

The FBI said that fingerprints taken from the bombs identified Mr. Kaufman as the man who placed them in safe deposit boxes in a plot to free what were

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Publishers Defer Hughes Story Until Check Recipient Identified

NEW YORK (UPI) — McGraw-Hill Books and Life magazine will delay publication of billionaire recluse Howard Hughes' purported autobiography until they have obtained "information that is completely satisfactory" as to who actually received the money they paid for publication rights, it was announced Thursday.

In a surprise joint statement, McGraw-Hill and Life said they had informed the State Supreme Court, in which publication of the autobiography is in litigation, of "the questions that have arisen" about a Swiss bank account in which two payment checks to Hughes were deposited. (Related story, Page 5.)

Hughes' attorneys and a disembodied voice identified as Hughes' in a telephone interview have denied Hughes wrote the autobiography or received the checks. Furthermore, veteran Hughes aides said he always signed his name Howard Hughes or Howard R. Hughes, and never H.R.

Hughes as the checks were endorsed.

"McGraw-Hill and Life have been conducting a thorough and continuing investigation of all aspects of the Howard Hughes manuscript," the statement said. "This investigation has just developed questions concerning the identity of the holder of the bank account at the Swiss credit bank in Zurich in which checks made out to Hughes were endorsed and deposited.

"We have therefore filed an action with the appropriate Swiss regulatory authorities in an effort to obtain full details. Until we have obtained information that is completely satisfactory to us both McGraw-Hill and Life are holding in abeyance action on the publication of the Howard Hughes manuscript."

It has been reported Hughes, 66, received about \$600,000 for the publication rights, \$250,000 of it from Time Inc. for a three-part serialization which was to have begun in Life magazine Feb. 11. McGraw-Hill had scheduled publication of the book in hardcover March 10.

Publication has been opposed by Chester Davis, chief counsel for the Hughes Tool Co., the umbrella for Hughes' industrial holdings, and by Rosemont Enterprises, a Nevada corporation allegedly formed by Hughes in 1965 as a repository for all material concerning his life story. State Supreme Court Justice Gerald P. Culkin has taken under advisement their application for a temporary injunction against publication.

A spokesman for the Hughes Tool Co. in Los Angeles said, "We'd like to point out that within 24 hours after Chester Davis was given access to copies of the checks deposited in a Swiss bank, Hughes re-

presentatives were able to establish that the 'H. R. Hughes' involved is not the Howard Hughes who is owner of the Hughes Tool Co., Houston, Tex."

The spokesman said Davis had sought access to the checks for the past six weeks. It added pointedly that it was "worth noticing that the publishers' handwriting expert is on record with his opinion that the signatures and the letters to the publishers (authorizing publication), supposedly from Howard Hughes, were written by the same person."

The autobiography is purported to have its origin in taped interviews with Hughes by novelist Clifford Irving. According to affidavits submitted to Culkin, Irving interviewed Hughes over a nine-month hearing in Beverly Hills and Palm Springs, Calif., Pompano Beach, Fla., San Juan, P.R., Oaxaca, Mexico, and Nassau in the Bahamas, where Hughes is believed to live in a closely guarded hotel penthouse.

Irving has deposed that in a last meeting near Miami, Fla., Hughes was ill and gasping from some serious respiratory ailment.

1st Inf Div Soldier Crushed to Death

NEU ULM, Germany (S&S) — A 1st Inf Div soldier stationed here was killed Wednesday when he was crushed between two self-propelled howitzers, the division disclosed Thursday.

The soldier, assigned to the 2nd Bn, 33rd Arty, at Wiley Barracks, was guiding one howitzer to a fueling point in the unit's motor pool when the tracked vehicle went out of control, crushing him against another self-propelled howitzer already at the fuel point.

The victim's name was withheld pending notification of next of kin.

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Voice Tapes Could Hide Death—Hughes Fantasy?

NEW YORK (UPI)—Recluse billionaire Howard Hughes, in purported memoirs published Wednesday, claims it is possible to keep a man's death hidden for several years through use of computerized voice tapes which can continue to communicate and even answer questions "completely in character" by means of telephone.

The book, "My Life and Opinions," edited by Robert P. Eaton, was published by Best Books Press less than two weeks after a voice alleged to be Hughes was heard in a telephone interview by seven reporters who had known him before he disappeared from sight in 1956. The reporters and experts reading voice tapes said the voice was that of Hughes.

The interview was called so Hughes could back up his attorneys' denials that another book about his life was authentic.

That book, allegedly based on interviews with Hughes taped by novelist Clifford Irving, is scheduled for publication in March by McGraw-Hill Books. Another in a series of court hearings on an application by Hughes' attorneys and a Hughes-dominated corporation to quash the Irving "autobiography" was held in State

Supreme Court Wednesday afternoon but no action was taken.

"This is the most absurd dream to date in the current rash of fantasies from phony 'biographers,'" a spokesman for the Hughes Tool Co. said in Los Angeles. "It belongs in a comic book or science fiction movie for children under 12."

"It certainly does not belong on the wires of a major news service or in the news section of a responsible daily paper. The perpetrators of this newest hoax can expect to answer for the 'bad trip' they are trying to sell as a book."

Eaton, a novelist and former husband of actress Lana Turner, claims his book is based on two manuscripts given him by Hughes in 1970 after a 13-year, almost clandestine friendship. In it, he discloses Hughes' deep interest in having his body deep-frozen immediately after death so that he can be revived sometime in the future when medical science has developed the proper techniques.

"I do not think that it will come as a surprise to the reader that I have taken and will continue to take such steps," the book quotes Hughes in regard to his having a freezing capsule and trusted technicians always at hand.

The book quotes Hughes' claim that the revived individual could have all his knowledge and attitudes fed back to his brain from computer tapes made before death in case memory does not last beyond death. It then goes on to quote him:

"There is another aspect of computer use which would serve to protect the estate (of a wealthy, deceased person) and therefore the continuance of the subject. If instructions were left that the estate was to remain the continued and sole responsibility of the deceased, the computer would serve to instruct those charged with its management by relaying instructions, specifically and in detail, as though the deceased were still alive."

"It is possible even now to select, by use of a computer, words, phrases, even inflections out of a mass of taped sounds in the subject's own voice, so that one would believe that he was actually speaking to the person himself. Questions can be asked, and the responses are almost immediate and completely in character. It is not outside the realm of possibility that a man's death could actually be hidden for a number of years to all but a trusted and loyal few."

In another "disclosure" in the book, Hughes is quoted as saying he had been sexually involved with a number of women in his life, but his interest in young, talented actresses during his days as a Hollywood producer "never went beyond their potential in my motion picture ventures." He said his associations were "always those of friendship."

In Wednesday's court hearing, Justice Gerald P. Culin reserved decision on a temporary injunction which would bar McGraw-Hill's publication of the Irving book.

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The changes "include consideration of experimental training programs conducted during 1971 at Ft. Ord, Calif., and experience gained by training nearly three million recruits since 1965," he said.

The program, however, will not include some of the experimental frills the Army in-

troduced in regular Army life.

At Ft. Ord, beer-vending machines were put into some basic training barracks and the dormitory-style barracks were partitioned by curtains to make individual compartments.

The spokesman said this would be discontinued because "there was little real interest of basic trainees in beer and the presence of beer did not fit in with the rigorous, Spartan basic training program. Beer, of course, is still available at post facilities and snack bars."

The Army spokesman also said no more barracks will be converted for basic trainees.

The important features of the new basic training program, he said, include more

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Bank Sources: 'H.R. Hughes' Was a Blonde

NEW YORK (NYT) — The mystery over the purported autobiography of Howard Hughes deepened Friday with these developments:

1—The "H.R. Hughes" who opened a bank account in Zurich was not the tycoon but a German-speaking blonde in her middle thirties, banking sources said.

2—Author Clifford Irving and his attorney are "leaning toward a theory" that the autobiographer had been hood-

winked by a "gang of six to eight people" in a master hoax.

3—Attorneys for the Hughes interests gave the State Supreme Court a transcript of a letter reported to be from the Swiss bank saying that Hughes had never cashed or deposited checks from McGraw-Hill, Inc.

4—The same attorneys also filed a two-page questionnaire bearing what was purported to be Hughes' handwritten answers, describing the McGraw-Hill autobiographical materials as "forgeries." Each page was signed "Howard R. Hughes" and each page bore fingerprints which an affidavit described as authentic Hughes' prints. In one answer, Hughes said he had not personally endorsed a check for "more than 10 years."

The Zurich banking sources said that the German-speaking blonde used a forged Swiss passport as identification. They said she had opened the account in May with a \$50,000 check from McGraw-Hill. Since then, two more checks from the publishing firm ballooned the total to \$650,000 — and all of that has now been withdrawn, the sources reported.

The sources added that they were able to say "H.R. Hughes" was a woman because the huge Swiss Credit Bank keeps a written description of all people who per-

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Total of 39 Cadets Quit AF Academy

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. (UPI)—The number of cadets found guilty in the academy's third cheating scandal within a decade increased to 39 Friday and a school spokesman said officials have also turned up evidence of marijuana smoking among the cadets.

Twenty-three more students at the nation's youngest military academy were implicated Friday, turned in their shoulder boards and left school

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PARTING—Debbie Morris, 12, and her grandmother, Mrs. Arthur Crees, have some sober thoughts about Debbie's trip from England to

Little Debbie's B —She Flies to Her

By MARY ANN REESE
London Bureau Chief

LONDON (S&S) — Little brown-eyed Debbie Morris kissed her English grandmother goodbye Friday afternoon and flew off on her first airplane ride — to California, where she will begin her new life with her brother and

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sonally open new accounts.

The Swiss Credit Bank undertook its investigation after it became suspicious that the account opened by "H.R. Hughes" was being used to perpetrate a fraud.

Normally, Swiss banks go to great lengths to protect their clients under the rigorous 1934 Banking Code, which makes betrayal of banking secrets a prison offense. But secrecy provisions are waived when the banks have reason to believe that swindles and other criminal activities are afoot. (Tax evasion is not considered a crime, and thus is still protected by Swiss banking si-

lence.)

The alleged autobiography of Hughes was planned for publication by McGraw-Hill and Life magazine, and was based on material that Irving said he had collected in what he described as 100 secret meetings with the eccentric industrialist.

Thursday, McGraw-Hill and Life decided to defer publication pending an investigation of the disputed Swiss bank account.

Both publishing companies emphasized that they still believed the Hughes material to be authentic.

Meanwhile, the attorney for Irving said that he and his client were "leaning" to a

theory that the novelist had been hoodwinked.

The attorney, Martin S. Ackerman, said in a telephone interview that such a hoax would have had to involve an actor who impersonated Hughes and "two master forgers" able to duplicate the handwriting of the industrialist.

Ackerman said that he and Irving "have developed three theories."

The first he described as the "loyal servant theory," in which an employee of Hughes opened the account in the Swiss bank. The second theory, he said, concerned an "imposter." The third, he went on, would have Irving as the imposter.

"We've rejected the last theory and lean toward the second," he said.

Two Forgers?

Ackerman said, "You'd have to have a gang of six to eight people involved, including two master forgers and an actor 6 feet, 3 inches tall who weighed 120 pounds."

"Then you'd have to have someone who bankrolled it and someone who did the research," he went on. "Someone paid for the travel. A gang that clever would not be doing it for just a couple of hundred thousand dollars."

Ackerman said that, under his theory, two master forgers would have been necessary because "one man 6 feet, 3 inches tall wrote two letters in front of Cliff — the other forger would be the one to sign the name to the letters."

In an affidavit filed in court, Irving has said that he personally hand-delivered two checks to Hughes. He said he gave the third check to a man he identified as George Gordon Holmes, whom he said he knew as a "trusted and bona fide associate of Mr. Hughes."

Nixon Urges Dock Pact

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lation," the President told Congress. "This is a vital matter to the people of this country and the nation can afford no delay."

The President's proposed legislation was in the form of a joint resolution instead of a normal bill, which might take longer for Congress to consider. Nixon acknowledged in his message to Congress that "this is an unusually pressing request for the opening days of a new session."

He said all efforts, including his intervention and the use of an 80-day cooling-off period under the Taft-Hartley Act, had failed to resolve the differences between the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union and Pacific Coast maritime shippers.

Nixon said "no reasonable settlement" is in prospect. He deplored "the dimensions of

destruction which this strike is wreaking upon its victims."

The proposed legislation would make the arbitration board's findings binding on all parties to the dispute for 18 months and would prohibit any strikes or walkouts during that period.

The strikers would be forced to return to their jobs the moment the joint resolution reached the President's desk and before the arbitration board got to work.

Under Secretary of Labor Laurence B. Silberman said that he had been in contact with members of the labor committees in the Senate and House and that he had been promised hearings on the proposal this week, but no commitment for action.

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OTHER U.S. DEVELOPMENTS:

NEW YORK -- SWISS POLICE ISSUED ARREST WARRANTS FOR CLIFFORD IRVING AND HIS WIFE, EDITH, WHILE THE AUTHOR OF HOWARD HUGHES' PURPORTED "AUTOBIOGRAPHY" SOUGHT TO STAVE OFF APPEARANCES BEFORE GRAND JURIES HERE:

THE WARRANTS WERE ISSUED AFTER ZURICH AUTHORITIES LOCATED 442,000 DOLLARS IN CASH AND OTHER VALUABLES AT A LOCAL BRANCH OF THE SWISS BANK CORPORATION AND ORDERED THEM HELD THERE. ZURICH DISTRICT ATTORNEY PETER VELEFF SAID THE SWISS FRANC ACCOUNT WAS OPENED ON MAY 27, 1971, AND A SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX WAS RENTED LATER BY A WOMAN "PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH EDITH IRVING."

THE MONEY PRESUMABLY WAS WHAT WAS LEFT OF 650,000 DOLLARS DEPOSITED BY MRS. IRVING, USING THE NAME HELGA R. HUGHES, IN THE SWISS CREDIT BANK LAST YEAR, THEN WITHDRAWN IN FRANCS AND REDEPOSITED IN THE SWISS BANK CORPORATION.

THE 650,000 DOLLARS WAS RECEIVED BY IRVING, WHO CLAIMED HE COLLABORATED PERSONALLY WITH HUGHES ON WRITING THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY, FROM THE MCGRAW-HILL BOOK CO. FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE RECLUSE BILLIONAIRE AS AN ADVANCE PAYMENT ON ROYALTIES. IRVING REPORTEDLY CLAIMS HUGHES INSTRUCTED HIM TO BANK THE MONEY IN SWITZERLAND FOR A FEE OF 100,000 DOLLARS.

IRVING'S NEW ATTORNEY, MAURICE NESSEN, WON POSTPONMENT MONDAY MORNING OF INTERROGATION OF IRVING BY A NEW YORK COUNTY GRAND JURY SO THAT HE AND IRVING WOULD HAVE MORE TO DISCUSS THE DETAILS OF THE CASE. NO NEW DATE WAS SET.

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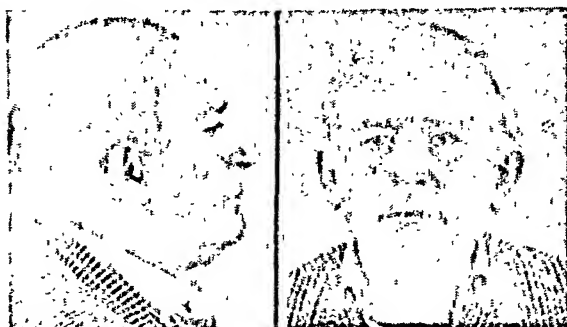
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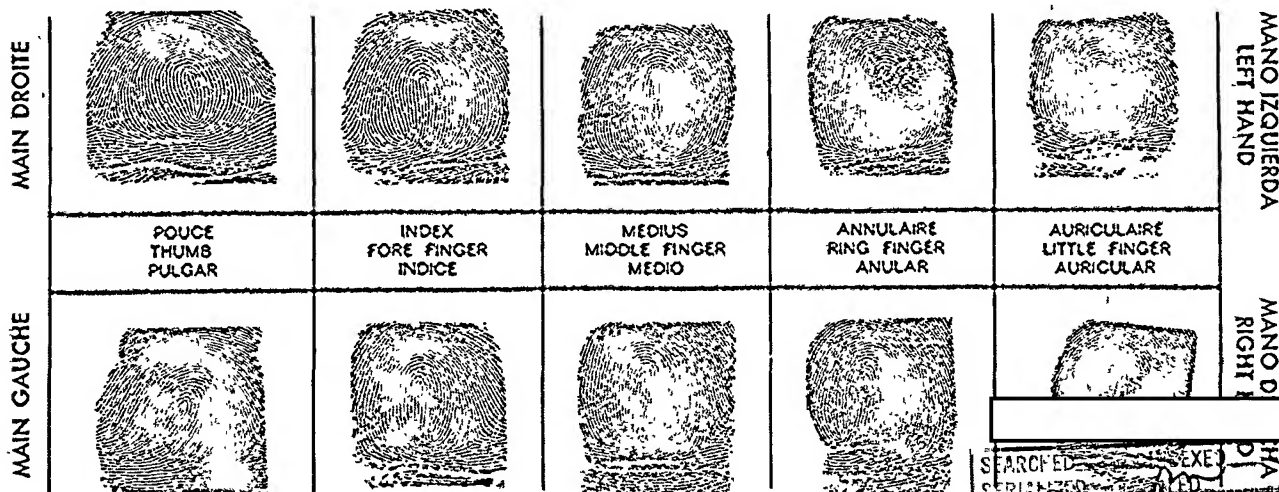
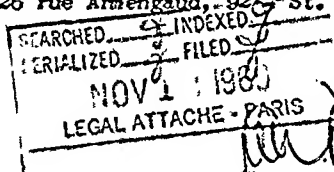
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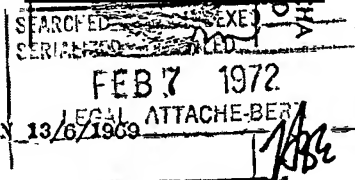
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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February 3, 1972

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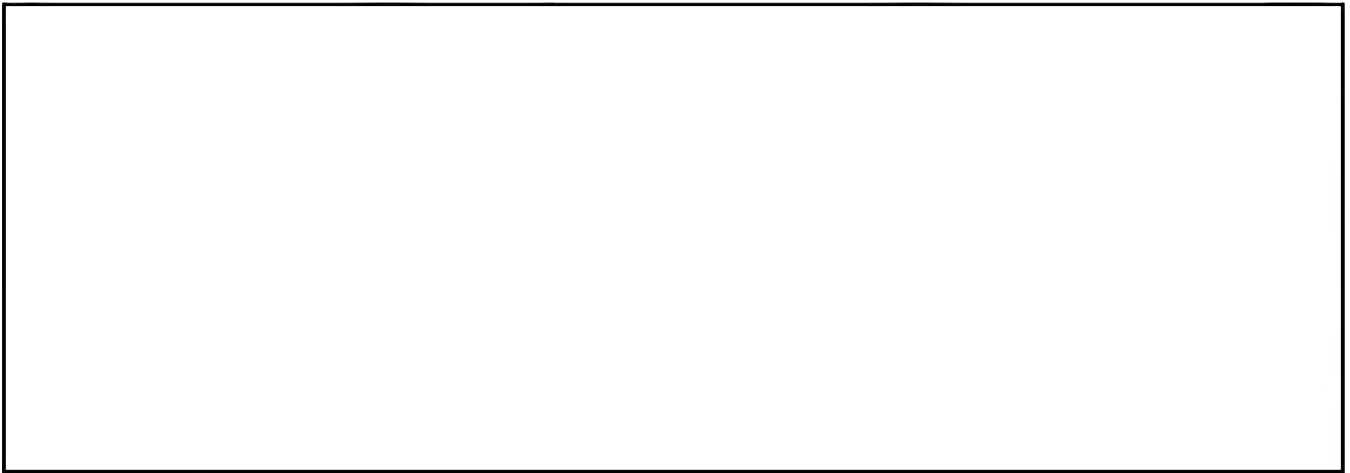
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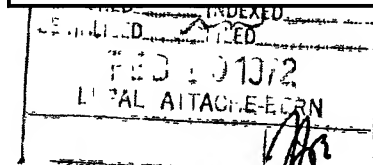
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The Wages of Sin or Why Clifford Irving Is Smiling

By Mike Royko

Mr. Royko is a columnist for the Chicago Daily News. This was made available by the New York Times News Service.

CHICAGO.—Reliable sources have told me that Clifford Irving has turned down a publisher who offered him a \$25,000 advance to write a book about his great hoax.

He turned it down because he is reportedly expecting to get an advance of \$500,000 for such a book. And knowledgeable sources in the New York publishing industry say he will probably get it.

And that is not all he can expect.

His story—with its intrigue, beautiful blondes, and international setting—is considered a cinch to be made into a movie.

Such a movie would bring Mr. Irving another \$150,000 to \$200,000, publishing sources say.

And that still isn't all.

The advance he receives for the book is based on the royalties he would earn from the sale of about 400,000 hard-cover copies.

Anything beyond that would bring Mr. Irving 15 percent of the sale price—about \$125 a book. With the enormous, worldwide publicity generated by the Irving-Hughes-Nina-Edith-etc. affair, book sales would probably exceed 400,000.

500,000 Sale

One publisher said: "It would have to go over a half million copies sold. The interest in Europe would be enormous. Hell, he'll make \$600,000 or \$700,000 on the hard-cover sales easily."

And that still isn't all.

Once the hard-cover market has been exhausted, the paperback edition will be brought out. And that could bring him several hundred thousands more in profits.

And that still isn't all.

The magazines and newspapers will be falling over each other to buy serialization rights. Time-Life is rumored to be offering more for the hoax story than it did for the now discredited Hughes biography.

And then there is the fast reissuing of Mr. Irving's earlier books, which are now selling better than they ever did when he was just another guy with a typewriter.

And that still isn't all. He'll be able to hit the lecture and personal appearance circuit. While he is a hot name, he'll be in the \$1,000-and-up-an-appearance bracket.

All in all, Mr. Irving expects to make as much as \$1 million by writing his story.

That means he will make more money from the story of his fraud than he would have if his Howard Hughes autobiography had been true.



Ah, but you ask how he will be able to write the book, and enjoy the money, if he is tucked away in a prison cell.

For an answer to that problem, I give you the opinion of a leading criminal lawyer:

"On the basis of what I've read, I don't think they can get him on anything unless Howard Hughes is willing to come to court and testify.

"And you know he's not going to do that. If Hughes won't appear in court on all those civil cases that are costing him tens of millions of dollars, why would he go to court on this? He has what he wants. The book has been exposed as a fraud. Uh-uh. You can't prosecute a case by having a guy testify over a telephone, or send in a tape-recorded statement. They'll need Hughes in court to make a real case, and they won't have him. You watch. Irving is going to walk out of this one free as can be."

So that seems to explain why, with all of his apparent problems, Clifford Irving is smiling.

And why Nina keeps smiling.

And why the cute scuba diver is smiling.

The only one who isn't smiling is wife Edith, because she figures to wind up in a Swiss jail.

People keep asking: How did Clifford Irving ever think he could get away with it?

"Because he is getting away."

17-Room Hotel Floor Sealed Off

Hughes in Nicaragua: Full Secrecy

From Wire Dispatches

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Feb. 18
Howard Hughes, the reclusive
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Since the industrialist deals
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—Roy Wilkins NAACP

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Verhaftungsbefehle

1338 Buccarella, Salvatore, des Elgidio und der Anita Calo, getr., 21.2.47 Sannicola (It.), Italiener, Werkarb., Vernachlässigung von Unterstützungspflichten. Pol.Kdo. Sitten.

1339 Debons, Jacques, des André und der Clémentine Varone, Id., 11.5.50 Sitten, von Savièse/VS, Mech., Diebstahl, Betrüge und Zechprellerei, 3 Mon. (-7 T.) Gef. (Widerruf). Pol.Kdo. Sitten.

1340 Derrer, Theodor, des Hans und der Lina Schmid, Id., 2.12.45 Wetikon/ZH, von Winkel/ZH, Schlosser, Nichtbezahlung des Militärpflichtersatzes, 8 T. Haft. Pol.Kdo. Sitten.

1341 (Mil.) Duss, René Franz, des Franz Josef und der Anna Schmitter, Id., 24.4.44 Luzern, von Lieli/LU, Gärtner, zul. in Bösinggen-Blumisberg, Dienstversäumnis. Ø, Red. SPA Bern.

1342 Gross, Walter, der Trinette Gross, Id., 31.1.40 Darmstadt (Deutschl.), Deutscher, Konditor, Veruntreuung (PW, beigebracht), beg. seit Dez. 1970 in Zürich. Pol.Kdo. Zürich.

1343 Hunziker, Marcel, des Hans und der Dora Arisi, 22.5.46 Wiesen-dangen, von Kirchleerau/AG, Hilfsarb., Diebstahl (900 Fr.), beg. 21.12.71-3.1.72 in Winterthur. Pol.Kdo. Zürich.

1344 Irving, Clifford Michael, 5.11.30 New York (USA), Amerikaner; und

Irving gesch. Rosenkranz geb. Sommer, Edith Margrith, des Eduard und der Ernestine Anna Koestner, 9.10.35 Schwäbisch Gmünd (Deutschl.), von Dürrenroth/BE;

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In Federal, State Courts

Irvings, Suskind Plead Guilty

NEW YORK, March 13 (AP). —Author Clifford Irving and his wife pleaded guilty today to federal charges of conspiring to "defraud" a publisher of \$750,000 with a fake autobiography of Howard Hughes, but the government agreed to dismiss a mail-fraud charge.

Then the Irvings and Richard Suskind, the author's researcher, pleaded guilty in Manhattan Supreme Court to New York State charges of grand larceny and conspiracy. The prosecution agreed to drop 12 other charges in the indict-

ment handed down Thursday by a New York County grand jury. A separate indictment charging Irving and Suskind with perjury also was dropped.

Sentencing was set for June 16 in both courts. The federal conspiracy charge carries a possible five-year sentence and \$10,000 fine. The possible state penalties are a maximum of seven years for larceny and one year and \$1,000 for conspiracy.

The Irvings remained free on bail, he on a \$100,000 personal-recognition bond, and she in her own custody after signing a

\$250,000 bond following her arrest on Swiss charges.

In the jammed courtroom in the Federal Courthouse, Judge John Cannella asked Irving if he understood the nature of his actions.

"Yes, sir," said the lanky, 41-year-old author.

The judge asked Irving to describe what he did.

"It was that I conspired to convince McGraw-Hill that I was in communication with Howard Hughes when, in fact, I was not," Irving said.

The judge asked Mrs. Irving: "What did you do that was a criminal act?"

Mrs. Irving, 36, said she had signed certain checks from McGraw-Hill made out to H.R. Hughes, and that she had used false documents.

"I put the money in and out," she said.

"Did you realize that you were part of a hoax?" the judge asked.

"Yes," she replied.

Both Irving and his wife appeared pale and nervous. She crossed her arms in front of her. Irving held his hands clasped behind him and his eyes were downcast during the 25-minute proceeding.

After Irving's guilty plea, the judge asked Robert G. Morvillo, assistant U.S. attorney who headed the federal inquiry, "Have you anything to add to what you said on television?"

The tension was broken in the courtroom as the stocky prosecutor rose and, with a smile, said:

"Yes. We have made two commitments to the Irvings. We have committed ourselves to calling to your attention the cooperation of Mr. and Mrs. Irving, and we have also com-

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United Press International.

GUILTY—Author Clifford Irving and his wife, Edith, arriving at New York City's Federal court yesterday.

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IRVING ACCUSÉ AUX ÉTATS-UNIS **Le procureur de Zurich proteste**

Dans une déclaration écrite, le procureur du canton de Zurich s'élève contre un paragraphe de l'acte d'accusation américain qu'il juge mal formulé et sujet à interprétation.

Pour M. Veleff, il est incorrect de jeter la suspicion sur la SBS — qui servit de cadre à l'opération Edith Irving — Hanna Rosenkrantz. M. Veleff estime qu'une liaison d'affaire établie entre la grande banque suisse et Mme Rosenkrantz compliquait sérieusement toute opération de contrôle qu'on aurait pu entreprendre dans une autre occurrence.

M. Veleff relève également dans l'acte d'accusation américain une contre-vérité en ce qui concerne le retrait de 22 800 fr. du compte ouvert à la Société de banque suisse.

Au vu du dossier, le procureur du canton de Zurich précise que ce retrait n'a pas eu lieu et que c'est au contraire un dépôt qui fut fait par Edith Irving sous le faux nom qu'elle s'était choisi.

Suspicion envers les banques suisses et contre-vérités constituent aux yeux de M. Veleff les marques évidentes que la justice américaine ne tire pas, dans cette affaire, à la même corde que la justice suisse, ce qui paraît confirmé par le fait que l'acte d'accusation américain a été publié alors que tous les témoins n'ont pas été entendus par les enquêteurs zurichois qui ont encore 35 noms sur leurs listes. Enfin, la justice suisse maintient la demande d'extradition de Mme Edith Irving. — (tlm-ag)

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Irving, Suskind Plead Guilty in Hughes Fraud

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mitted ourselves to calling to your attention discussions we have had with the Swiss government with regard to Mrs. Irving's status there."

Mrs. Irving has been charged in Switzerland in connection with the depositing of the \$650,000 from McGraw-Hill intended for Mr. Hughes. She is charged there with forgery, counterfeiting and embezzlement. The other \$100,000 was paid to Irving for his work on the book.

The judge asked Mr. Morvillo, "Have there been any other

promises?" Before Mr. Morvillo could reply, Irving said, "Yes. That I will be around to plead to conspiracy and the government will dismiss the mail-fraud count."

Mr. Morvillo said, "That's correct, your honor." Judge Cannella asked whether that was the extent of the promises and Mr. Morvillo said, "Yes."

It was requested that the sentencing date be extended beyond the usual six-week period since probation officers would have to make a report on information that would have to be compiled on the Spanish island of Ibiza, where the Irvings live.

Twenty minutes after the hearing began, Mrs. Irving, a German-born Swiss citizen, waived her right to an interpreter.

"I understand the government interceded for you with the Swiss," the judge said.

"Yes," Mrs. Irving said.

"You realize that you might face a jail sentence here?"

"Yes."

As with her husband, the court clerk read to her the parts of the indictment that involved her traveling from Ibiza to Zurich for the purpose of depositing the McGraw-Hill checks in a Swiss bank.

Then Mrs. Irving, her eyes downcast, said, "I plead guilty."

From the Federal Courthouse the Irvings were escorted two blocks to plead to the county indictment.

The Irvings and Suskind pleaded guilty to two counts each in the New York County indictment. They pleaded guilty to grand larceny in the second degree and conspiracy in the third degree. The state agreed to drop all the other counts in the indictment, charging the three with larceny, conspiracy and possession of stolen documents.

Judge Joseph A. Martinis continued them on parole.

Suskind, 46, a writer of children's books who lives on the Spanish island of Majorca, gave his address, as did the Irvings, as the Chelsea Hotel.

There remains the question of the Swiss charges against Mrs. Irving.

It was generally believed that Mrs. Irving's March 29 hearing on extradition to Switzerland would be postponed.

Early in the investigation, it was reported that Irving would be willing to cooperate with authorities here if the Swiss government would drop charges against his wife. But Irving has received no guarantee along these lines, other than the assurance by federal prosecutors that they would speak on behalf of Mrs. Irving to Swiss authorities.

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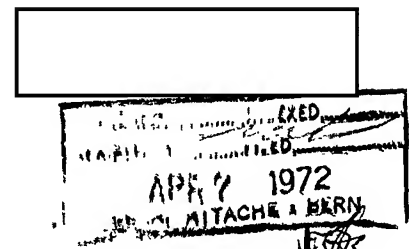
Kein unkorrektes Verhalten
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vp. Am Dienstag mittag hat Bezirksanwalt Dr. Peter Veleff, der die Untersuchung im Betrugsfall Hughes/Irving führt, in einem schriftlichen Communiqué verschiedene Behauptungen aus der amerikanischen Anklageschrift gegen Clifford und Edith Irving als falsch bezeichnet: diese Behauptungen seien geeignet, den Verdacht, daß sich der Schweizerische Bankverein in der ganzen Affäre unkorrekt verhalten habe, zu erwecken.

Nach den Ausführungen der Anklageschrift soll Edith Irving am oder um den 30. Dezember 1971 beim Bankverein 22 800 Franken abgehoben und damit einen Bankcheck Nr. 064.503 im gleichen Wert, zahlbar an Dieter Rosenkranz, gekauft haben; zugleich sei ihr von der Bank mitgeteilt worden, daß man über ihre Fälschungen unter dem Namen Hanne Rosenkranz informiert sei; da es sich aber bei ihr um eine gute Kundin handle, werde die Bank die Fälschungen dahingehend korrigieren, daß das inkriminierte Konto auf eine andere Filiale des Bankvereins übertragen werde.

Wie Dr. Veleff dazu mitteilte, hat Edith Irving alias Hanne Rosenkranz zur angegebenen Zeit kein Geld von dem beim Bankverein unter dem Namen Hanne Rosenkranz eröffneten Konto abgehoben, sondern den erwähnten Check an der Bankkasse gekauft und mit dem mitgebrachten Geld in bar bezahlt. Die handelnden Bankbeamten des Bankvereins haben zu keinem Zeitpunkt gewußt oder erkennen können, daß es sich bei Edith Irving, die hier als Hanne Rosenkranz auftrat, nicht um die echte Trägerin dieses Namens handle. Ein anderes Bankkonto auf den Namen Rosenkranz besteht nicht; allerdings hat die echte Hanne Rosenkranz beim Bankverein seinerzeit ein ganz anderes Bankgeschäft getätigt, das mit der Strafuntersuchung in keinem Zusammenhang stand. Edith Irving wußte durch eine rasche und geschickte Reaktion jeden Verdacht zu vermeiden, daß es sich dabei um zwei verschiedene Personen handeln könnte.

Somit ist der aus dem Text der amerikanischen Anklageschrift entstehende Verdacht über das unkorrekte Verhalten dieser Bank falsch und unbegründet. Die bereits früher abgegebene Erklärung, daß sich alle an dieser Untersuchung beteiligten Bankinstitute gegenüber den Behörden absolut korrekt und im Rahmen des legalen Möglichen hilfsbereit verhalten haben, wird von der Bezirksanwaltschaft Zürich erneut bekräftigt. Insbesondere bedauert Dr. Veleff den Umstand, daß durch eine den Tatsachen nicht entsprechende Formulierung in der amerikanischen Anklageschrift und deren Bekanntgabe an die Presse zu einem Zeitpunkt, in welchem in Zürich die zahlreichen Zeugenverhöre immer noch andauern und deshalb die Ermittlung der vollen Wahrheit noch nicht abgeschlossen ist, der falsche Eindruck entstehen mußte, daß sich eine schweizerische Großbank in diesem Betrugsfall unkorrekt oder verdächtig verhalten habe. Die Bezirksanwaltschaft hält weiterhin an dem an die USA gestellten Auslieferungsbegehren gegen Edith Irving fest.



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Kein Tauschhandel im Fall Hughes

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vp. Der die Untersuchung im Betrugsfall Irving/Hughes führende Bezirksanwalt Dr. Peter Veleff hat am Dienstag nachmittag an einer Pressekonferenz zu den amerikanischen Pressemitteilungen über ein angebliches «Geheimabkommen» zwischen den schweizerischen und den amerikanischen Strafbehörden Stellung genommen und unmißverständlich erklärt, daß ein solcher Handel nicht in Frage kommt. Die schweizerischen Behörden führen die Strafuntersuchung gegen Edith Irving-Sommer normal weiter — als Delikte kommen *Urkundenfälschung und Betrug* in Frage — und beharren weiterhin auf einer Auslieferung Edith Irvings durch die USA.

Stellungnahme der Bezirksanwaltschaft

Wie Dr. Veleff ausführte, ist es richtig, daß Clifford Irving und sein Mitarbeiter Richard Suskind den amerikanischen Justizbehörden gewisse Geständnisse für den Fall in Aussicht stellten, daß die USA, die Schweiz und Spanien dafür Frau Irving *Straffreiheit* garantieren würden. Die beiden amerikanischen Bundesstaatsanwälte Morvillo und Tigue, die am 10. Februar nach Zürich kamen, um im Interesse einer koordinierten Untersuchungsführung mit der Bezirksanwaltschaft persönlichen Kontakt aufzunehmen, warfen unter anderem auch die Frage nach einem solchen Abkommen auf. Wie ihnen von der Bezirksanwaltschaft und auch vom Ersten Staatsanwalt des Kantons Zürich, Dr. Gerold Lüthy, erklärt wurde, ist gemäß dem in der Schweiz herrschenden Legalitätsprinzip jede Garantie einer allfälligen Straffreiheit an irgendeinen Delinquenten ausgeschlossen. Auch irgendwelche Versprechen oder Zusicherungen an Angeschuldigte sind dem schweizerischen Strafrecht fremd, und es kennt keine Verhandlungen und Abkommen mit einem Angeschuldigten über die strafrechtlichen Folgen seines Verhaltens. Es können auch unter keinen Umständen von einer Untersuchungsbehörde einem Rechtsbrecher verbindliche Prognosen über die Höhe einer zu erwartenden Strafe gemacht werden, da diese allein durch den zuständigen Richter in freier Würdigung aller Untersuchungsergebnisse sowie der persönlichen Verhältnisse des Täters festgesetzt wird. Aus dieser eindeutigen Rechtslage geht hervor, daß den amerikanischen Staatsanwälten keine Zusicherungen in bezug auf die sich in Amerika befindenden Angeschuldigten gemacht wurden.

Keine Doppelbestrafung

Die einzige legale Möglichkeit, so führte Dr. Veleff weiter aus, daß Frau Irving für die in der Schweiz begangenen Straftaten hier nicht mehr zur Rechenschaft gezogen werden könnte, würde dann entstehen, wenn sie für alle ihre Handlungen, auch die in der Schweiz begangenen Delikte, durch ein ausländisches Gericht bestraft und diese Strafe im Auslande verbüßt worden wäre. Dann und nur dann könnte nach dem Rechtsgrundsatz «ne bis in idem» der schweizerische Strafspruch abgegolten sein. So hält Artikel 3 Ziffer 1 Absatz 2 StGB wörtlich fest: «Hat der Täter im Auslande wegen der Tat eine Strafe ganz oder teilweise verbüßt, so rechnet ihm der schweizerische

Richter die verbüßte Strafe an.» Dies bedeutet praktisch: Würde Frau Irving zum Beispiel in den USA auch für die in der Schweiz begangenen Handlungen bestraft und hätte sie diese Strafe in den USA verbüßt, so wäre von der schweizerischen Justiz zu prüfen, ob die amerikanische Strafe nach unserer Rechtsauffassung eine genügende Vergeltung für die in der Schweiz begangenen Delikte darstelle. Wäre dies nicht so, so würde das Strafverfahren trotz amerikanischer Verurteilung und Strafverbüßung hier fortgesetzt, und es würde sodann vom Richter die in den USA verbüßte Strafe angerechnet. Mit anderen Worten: Die praktische Frage, ob im Falle einer ausländischen Verurteilung das schweizerische Strafverfahren fortgesetzt würde, hinge wesentlich vom Ausgang des ausländischen Strafverfahrens ab. Die Frage kann deshalb im heutigen Zeitpunkt weder eindeutig bejaht noch eindeutig verneint werden.

Eine andere Rechtsfrage ist allerdings, ob es einem ausländischen Staat überhaupt möglich wäre, einen Schweizer — Edith Irving hat bei ihrer Heirat mit Clifford Irving ihre schweizerische Nationalität behalten und ist nie amerikanische Staatsbürgerin geworden — für ein in der Schweiz begangenes Delikt im Ausland zur Rechenschaft zu ziehen. Eine solche Lösung wird von den schweizerischen Behörden nicht gewünscht, denn sie sind der Meinung, daß Tauschgeschäfte mit den Angeschuldigten — wie sie in Amerika offenbar keine Seltenheit sind — gerade in diesem speziellen Fall nicht der Aufdeckung, sondern nur der Verschleierung der vollen Wahrheit dienen können.

Internationale Zusammenarbeit

Die Interessen der zürcherischen Strafbehörden werden in den USA durch die schweizerische Botschaft sowie, den dortigen Bräuchen entsprechend, durch den Rechtsanwalt Bernard Reverdin vertreten. In Zürich wirkt ein amerikanischer Postinspektor als Verbindungsmann zwischen der amerikanischen Bundesstaatsanwaltschaft und der Bezirksanwaltschaft, denn die amerikanische Postverwaltung besitzt eine eigene Kriminalabteilung zur Abklärung von Delikten, die auf dem Postweg ausgeführt werden.

Howard R. Hughes hat einen Zürcher Rechtsanwalt mit der Wahrung seiner Interessen beauftragt; er hat wohl keinen materiellen Schaden erlitten, doch wurde seine Unterschrift mißbraucht, er tritt somit als Geschädigter auf. Die Bezirksanwaltschaft ist im Besitze einer eidesstattlichen Erklärung Hughes', laut welcher er nie etwas mit den Irvings zu tun hatte.

Ueber seine Reise nach Ibiza und Mallorca wollte Dr. Veleff im Interesse der Untersuchung keine Einzelheiten bekanntgeben; er sei jedoch davon überzeugt, daß seitens der spanischen Justiz alles getan werde, um auch dort die volle Wahrheit zu ermitteln, die in Spanien liegenden Beweismittel herzustellen und die in spanische Strafkompetenz fallenden Handlungen zu verfolgen. Die spanischen Justizbehörden werden im Rahmen der legalen Rechtshilfe mit den schweizerischen und den amerikanischen Untersuchungsbehörden zusammenarbeiten und dadurch mit-helfen, die Täter mit oder ohne Geständnis zu überführen.

Freigabe der McGraw-Hill-Gelder

upi. Der grösste Teil der 1,7 Millionen Franken die in Zürich beschlagnahmt worden sind, nachdem die «Hughes-Autobiographie» als Schwindel entlarvt worden war, können freigegeben werden; vorausgesetzt, dass das Geld direkt an das New Yorker Verlagshaus McGraw-Hill zurückerstattet werden kann. Dies gab der Bezirksanwalt auf Anfrage bekannt. Zur Sicherung der Kosten des Verfahrens in der Schweiz werde aber ein Teil des Geldes zurückbehalten werden.

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the moonwalkers chipped from a huge boulder on the rim of North Ray Crater, the largest and deepest crater man has examined on the moon.

One result that already has far-reaching implications is the astronauts' discovery of an unusually strong magnetic field at their lunar landing site. Dr. Palmer Dyal said this reinforced the controversial theory that the moon once had a molten core, since such an interior is needed to generate strong magnetic forces in a heavenly body.

The astronauts allotted one hour today to more reports on the light flashes that Apollo crews have reported seeing with their eyes shut. The phenomenon is believed caused by cosmic rays penetrating the spaceship and stimulating optic nerves as they pass through the astronauts' bodies.

Used 'Blindfolds'

But the precise nature of the radiation and light-producing mechanism is unknown. The three Apollo-16 crewmen were provided with blindfolds and told to report to ground control the number and nature of the streaks and points of light they see.

The astronauts also continued the study of intense sources of X-rays in deep space known to astronomers as Cygnus X-1 and Scorpius X-1. The X-ray studies started yesterday.

The object of the X-ray astronomy is to see if these sources of X-rays are related to stars that may have undergone a gravitational collapse so strong that nothing can escape their grasp. These are called black holes because all radiation is absorbed and no light is emitted.

Bomb Defused At U.S. Consulate

AMSTERDAM, April 26 (AP).—A firebomb was found in the U.S. Consulate General here yesterday, but was dismantled before it could go off, police reported today.

A police spokesman said an employee of the consulate discovered "a suspicious package" in the waiting room and threw it out a window.

Police opened the parcel and found a firebomb set to explode in an hour and a half later. Explosives experts dismantled the bomb. Police had no clues as to who planted the bomb or why.

The committee held what was to have been its last day of hearings on the nomination and the ITT case last week, when it took testimony from White House aide Peter M. Flanigan. However, Mr. Flanigan subsequently wrote a letter to the committee in which he disclosed that he had passed along to Mr. Kleindienst complaints by ITT about an anti-trust settlement proposed by the Justice Department.

Mr. Kleindienst has told the committee that the ITT case had been handled entirely by the Anti-trust Division of the Justice Department, but conceded that the case might have been casually mentioned during his frequent contacts with the White House.

The acting attorney general insisted that he did not remember discussing the case with Mr. Flanigan.

Sen. Eastland said today that Mr. Kleindienst was being recalled to answer questions about the Flanigan letter.

The vote for recall was 9 to 5, with Sens. Edward M. Kennedy, D. Mass., John V. Tunney, D. Calif., Quentin N. Burdick, D. N.D., Birch Bayh, D., Ind., and Marlow W. Cook, R., K.Y., voting against the compromise.

Earlier, the committee rejected a move by Sen. Kennedy to expand the hearings to include a recall of Mr. Flanigan, ITT pres-

The White House argued that while the conversations mentioned in the Flanigan letter might contradict Mr. Kleindienst's testimony, the primary issues whether the acting attorney general was in any way pressured by Mr. Flanigan on the ITT case.

"Mr. Kleindienst has said he was not," the memo continued, "and the contacts Flanigan describes are completely consistent with the testimony."

Still Another Suit Filed Against Irving

NEW YORK, April 26 (Reuters).—Clifford Irving and the McGraw-Hill publishing company yesterday were named as defendants in a \$7 million libel suit stemming from a book Irving wrote before his hoax autobiography of Howard Hughes.

The action was brought in State Supreme Court by Real Lessard, an art dealer now studying law in France.

In his suit, Mr. Lessard alleges that Irving's book "Fake"—published by McGraw-Hill—states that Mr. Lessard conspired with another art dealer, Fernand Legros, to sell forged works of art painted by self-admitted art forger Elmyr de Hory. In fact, Mr. Lessard says, neither he nor Mr. Legros knew the works were forged.

Contending that "Fake" was "false, untrue and defamatory," Mr. Lessard said that the book held him up to "public contempt, hatred, disgrace, infamy and reproach."

Transportation Strike Paralyzes All Japan

TOKYO, April 26 (UPI).—Transportation workers throughout Japan launched a two-day strike for higher wages today, paralyzing travel in the nation.

Authorities estimated that the strike would affect 50 million Japanese commuters and travelers and possibly cause the worst transport crisis in the country's history.

The walkout shut down railway, subway, bus and taxi services after last-minute negotiations failed to avert the strike. Officials said talks were continuing, however.

place or a win" over Sen. Humphrey next Tuesday in Ohio.

After Ohio, the next stop on Sen. McGovern's primary trail is Nebraska on May 9, where he is the early favorite. He said he would also make "a substantial effort" in the May 16 Michigan primary, where Gov. Wallace is expected to make a strong showing.

Sen. McGovern, who has drawn little public backing from party office-holders so far, said he expected "a number of endorsements" to come his way even before the showdown primaries in June in California and New York.

Asked specifically about the possibility of support from Sen. Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts, Sen. McGovern said, "I'm hopeful that at some stage Ted will endorse my candidacy. I haven't asked him for an endorsement, but it would help... head off a lot of this talk about how we're going to deadlock this convention in order to open the nomination for him."

"I don't think he wants the nomination. He's been very straight-out about that," Sen. McGovern said. "I don't think he's playing any games. And certainly his name and influence on the McGovern effort would be helpful."

His Wisconsin victory and the withdrawal of New York Mayor John Lindsay—a potentially formidable challenger—all aided Sen. McGovern's winning effort. He came into Massachusetts two weeks ago, avowedly seeking a sweep of the 102 delegates, and devoted all but four of the past 13 days to campaigning here.

Sen. Muskie, meantime, made the opposite decision—to concentrate on Pennsylvania. He spent barely 72 hours on two quick Massachusetts visits in the past two weeks.

Sen. McGovern enjoyed a similar advantage in finances, with a Massachusetts budget of \$150,000, approximately three times the amount Sen. Muskie spent.

After the votes came in, Sen. Muskie said: "Lest there be any doubt, I'm in this race until the last delegate vote is counted in Miami and until we beat President Nixon in November."

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Swiss to Press For Extradition Of Mrs. Irving

ZURICH, June 19 (AP).--The Swiss authorities announced today that they are continuing to seek the extradition of Mrs. Edith Irving, who was sentenced Friday in the United States for her part in the Howard Hughes autobiography hoax.

Zurich's district attorney, Peter Veleff, said that the conviction of Mrs. Irving, a Swiss citizen, did not affect legal proceedings here against her.

Under Swiss law, the U.S. sentence of two months in jail and a two-year suspended term will be taken into "appropriate consideration" by a Swiss court, Mr. Veleff said.

He noted that virtually all the offenses of which Mrs. Irving was convicted had been committed in Zurich, where she cashed checks intended by McGraw-Hill Inc. for Mr. Hughes.

In New York, Mrs. Irving surrendered today to begin her sentence.

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Decision Delayed On Extradition Of Mrs. Irving

NEW YORK, July 2 (UPI).—A federal magistrate Friday refused a request by Edith Irving's attorney to throw out Swiss extradition proceedings against her and said he would issue a decision in the case next month.

Maurice Nessen, Mrs. Irving's lawyer, asked that the proceedings be dismissed, saying the Swiss government reneged on a promise not to prosecute his client for her part in the bogus Howard Hughes autobiography plot.

However, when a representative of the Swiss government objected, Judge Gerard Goettel sustained him, saying, "Absent a formal agreement between the U.S. and the Swiss governments, I will not permit hearsay evidence."

Mrs. Irving, who began serving a two-month federal prison sentence last Monday for her part in the hoax concocted by her husband, Clifford, has been indicted in Zurich on charges of forgery, embezzlement and theft.

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A P.S. to Hughes Biography Caper

BERN, July 7 (AP-DJ).—The recent Clifford Irving-Howard Hughes biography fraud has so stiffened Swiss opposition to a proposed bilateral treaty that would allow U.S. investigators to probe certain secret Swiss bank accounts that the accord is likely to be delayed and may even never be signed.

American officials have been seeking the treaty mainly to obtain access to secret accounts suspected of being used by crime syndicates such as the Mafia. Informal negotiations have been in progress for the past four years, and U.S. sources concede that Swiss officials have made every effort to win the support of bankers and businessmen for the treaty.

Officials of each government finally agreed on a draft of the treaty last December. Key clauses that had aroused initial opposition in Switzerland were amended, giving rise to hopes on both sides that the treaty would be signed early this summer.

Treaty 'Completely Unacceptable'

But the Irving case intervened, apparently causing renewed opposition among Swiss businessmen. One influential industry source now says that the draft treaty is "completely unacceptable" and that Swiss business wants fresh talks to start next year.

U.S. sources say they think that the Swiss were incensed over U.S. efforts to arrange a behind-the-scenes deal for Irving's wife, a Swiss citizen, so that she would cooperate in the U.S. investigation of the Hughes biography fraud.

Mrs. Irving began serving a two-month prison sentence in June for her part in the hoax. She is currently fighting efforts by the Swiss government to have her extradited from the United States to face an indictment in Zurich alleging forgery, embezzlement and theft.

U.S. sources in Bern say the Swiss are also upset over a U.S. federal indictment of the Irvings which charged that one Swiss bank acted incorrectly in the case, a claim rejected by the top Swiss investigator.

One U.S. source says, "We assume that this made the Swiss furious, particularly the banks and some sections of the industry." Critics of

the treaty will not comment on this, but they say that the Irving case showed Swiss banks and authorities will act swiftly and without any treaty if there is solid evidence of crime.

Swiss critics have a list of objections to the treaty. One is that it would favor the United States, giving it sweeping rights in a country where many U.S. companies have subsidiaries. They argue that the treaty would even permit U.S. anti-trust proceedings to be carried into Switzerland, which does not have such legislation.

Main Cause of Concern

U.S. sources report, however, that they have met several Swiss refusals in cases they said were "more straightforward than the Hughes affair." But critics say the chief source of their concern is the broad provision, rated most important by the United States, that would oblige Swiss banks and authorities to cooperate with U.S. officials in cases in which there are "reasonable grounds" to assume that organized crime is involved. Under this clause, bank secrecy rules would be set aside even in case of tax evasion, which under Swiss law is not a criminal offense.

One critic says that while there is understanding for American efforts to combat crime syndicates, this clause would give the United States far-reaching powers against graft and other "political crimes" and "throw overboard decisive principles of the Swiss legal system." What is more, he adds, Switzerland, as a neutral country would be obliged to grant the same rights to all other countries.

A second round of confidential government consultations with banking and industry is now under way on the treaty. It will run until this fall, but a key industry source said the response would be firmly negative.

"We will insist that the whole thing be started all over again by political negotiators," he said. "Maybe this will be in the first half of next year. But we need an entirely new concept, similar to the treaties in force with European continental countries."

Some American sources close to the talks said in that case the United States may drop the project rather than start again.

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Wird Edith Irving ausgeliefert?

Von unserem USA-Korrespondenten Joseph Mannheim

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New York, 27. Juni. Frau Edith Irving-Sommer ist erbittert. Die in den Betrugsfall ihres Gatten Clifford Irving Verwickelte kann nicht einmal die Ruhe des Gefängnislebens geniessen, das ihr für die nächsten zwei Monate bevorsteht. Kaum eingeliefert, muss sie wieder vor dem Richter erscheinen, diesmal in einem Auslieferungsverfahren, das Bernard Reverdin, ein in New York tätiger Schweizer Anwalt, im Namen der schweizerischen Regierung gegen sie angestrengt hat.

Es sei unmenschlich, sie zweimal »durch die Hackmaschine zu treiben«. »Sie (die Schweizer Behörden) rächen sich an mir, weil sie Clifford nicht erreichen können«, bemerkte sie. (Irving kann als Bürger der USA nicht ausgeliefert werden.)

Edith Irving ist Schweizerin. Nach amerikanischem Gesetz wird eine Ausländerin nicht automatisch amerikanische Staatsangehörige, wenn sie einen Amerikaner heiratet. Sie muss, um das amerikanische Bürgerrecht zu erhalten, ein abgekürztes Einbürgerungsverfahren begehen. Edith Irving hatte das unterlassen, und nun muss sie gewärtigen, nach Verbüsung ihrer zweimonatigen Gefängnisstrafe in die Schweiz ausgeliefert zu werden, wo sie unter Anklage des Betruges, der Urkundenfälschung und des Diebstahls steht.

Frau Irving ist in Amerika zu einer zweijährigen Gefängnisstrafe verurteilt worden, von denen sie jedoch nur zwei Monate zu verbüssen braucht. Der Rest ist ihr bedingt erlassen worden. Nach amerikanischem Recht kann sie vor Ablauf der Bewährungsfrist nicht ausgeliefert werden.

Rechtsanwalt Reverdin brachte einen Stoss von Akten und eidesstattlichen Erklärungen in die Verhandlungen, mit denen er zu beweisen suchte, dass der Antrag auf Auslieferung begründet sei und, dass die Angeklagte die ihr zur Last gelegten Delikte in der Schweiz begangen habe. Sie sei deshalb nach Verbüsung ihrer Strafe in den Ver-

einigten Staaten in die Schweiz auszuliefern. Reverdin beantragte, dass sie bis zur Beendigung des Auslieferungsverfahrens beziehungsweise bis zum Tag ihrer Auslieferung in Haft bleibe. Frau Irving hat durch ihren Anwalt erklären lassen, dass sie nach Verbüsung ihrer Strafe freiwillig in die Schweiz zurückkehren und sich dort der Staatsanwaltschaft zur Verfügung stellen werde, aber Reverdin gibt sich mit dieser Zusicherung nicht zufrieden.

Nach den zweitägigen Auslieferungsverhandlungen, die am heutigen Mittwoch fortgesetzt werden sollen, und nachdem Rechtsanwalt Reverdin seinen Auslieferungsantrag begründet hatte, vermerkte der Verhandlungsrichter zum Anwalt der Angeklagten, er habe den Eindruck, dass Reverdin nicht in eine Freilassung Frau Irvings gegen Kautions einwilligen werde. Indessen wolle er den Fall vor seinem Abschluss nicht weiter diskutieren. Maurice Nesher, der Anwalt Frau Irvings, wird gegen die Auslieferung plädieren.

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